Latest News

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456 U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service personnel are responding to the spill.

Cleanup crews have begun work at Bon Secour National Willdlife Refuge, where oil has been found. The Bon Secour Friends group and local students planted sea oats to stabilize constructed dunes, installed to keep oil out of fragile wetlands.

Today's heat index of 105 continues to make heat stress an issue with field work.

Five aerial flights are planned in the following areas: Grand Terre Island to Venice; eastern Barataria Bay, Timbalier Bay, Terrebonne Bay to Raccoon Point; SW Pass to Baptiste Collette; Fourchon to Grand Terre and western Barataria Bay; and Chandeleur Islands and Biloxi Marsh.

An air operations review of the Wildlife Branch at Houma Command Center will be conducted.

The Wildlife Recovery Branch at Mobile Command Center is setting up a small satellite operations camp in Biloxi, MS, to include a team of two ground crews, one runner, and one Task Force Leader.

Field teams will continue beached bird surveys on Texas beaches.

By the Numbers

- Overall personnel responding: more than 27,000
- Total active response vessels: more than 5,500
- Total boom deployed: more than 900 miles
- Boom available: approximately 534 miles
- Oily water recovered: nearly 19.9 million gallons
- Oil burned: nearly 4.01 million gallons
- Total dispersant used: more than 1,216,000 gallons